

ARKANSAS ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

DATE: May 17, 2007

LOCATION: Arkansas State Police Headquarters
#1 State Police Plaza
ADEQ Training Room
Little Rock, Arkansas 72209

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fran Flener, Joe M. Hill, DL Flowers alt. for Colonel Steve Dozier, Tammy Harrell alt. for Ken James, Chief Ronald Burks alt. for Dan Flowers, Robert A. Parker alt. for Wendy Kelly, Robin Jarratt alt. for Ann Purvis, Major General William D. Wofford, Laura Shue, Richard Gallagher alt. for J.R. Howard, David Guntharp, Carol Roddy alt. for J.D. Gingerich, Timothy Williamson, Rita Shepherd, Wanda Williams, Jim Allen, Joseph Cooper alt. for Rick Hart, Mary Stone.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Percy Wilburn, Kent Williams, Bishop Woosley, Judge Mary Ann Gunn, Megan Cuddy, Deborah Caspall, Dennis Moore, Ramona Ellison, J.G. Regnier.

STAFF PRESENT:

Denise Luckett-- Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention
Gene Smith-- Drug Director's Office
Kenya Buffington-- Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention
Jo Ann Warren-- Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention

VISITORS:

Matthew Warriner-- DF&A
Judy Cohea-- Fayetteville Police
Kenny Yates-- Fayetteville Police
Col. Joe Moore-- AR National Guard
Bishop Kevin Allen—Perfecting Life Community Development Corporation

INTRODUCTION OF NEW STATE DRUG DIRECTOR:

Jay Bradford, Director of the Division of Behavioral Health Services, introduced Fran Flener to the Coordinating Council. Fran was appointed as the State Drug Director by Governor Mike Beebe in April 2007. Fran was the former director of Program and Product Development for Health Resources of Arkansas, Inc., located in Batesville, Arkansas. She has an extensive background in health and social services development at the state and national levels having served as executive directors of a regional planning agency and for Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, TN.

FRAN FLENER CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 2:30 PM.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed to members for review. After a review of the minutes, Carol Roddy made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Chief Ronald Burks seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Law Enforcement Committee Report

Chief Ronald Burks reported that the Law Enforcement Committee met on May 16, 2007. The Law Enforcement Committee completed their review of 35 applications for FY 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program funds.

The Committee's recommendations were distributed in a memorandum to members. Programs recommended were; nineteen (19) multi-jurisdictional drug task forces, and the Department of Community Correction's Day Reporting Centers project to provide literature materials for client usage at their facilities.

A motion was made by Chief Ronald Burks and seconded by Rita Shepherd to approve the grants as presented by the Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Treatment and Prevention Committee Report

Joe M. Hill reported that the T& P Committee did not meet.

OLD BUSINESS

Distribution of Monthly Financial and Utilization Reports:

T&P Committee Report

Joe M. Hill distributed the Providers' Utilization Reports. He reported that there were no unusual activities and providers are utilizing their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Joe M. Hill and seconded by Jim Allen to accept the report. The motion carried unanimously.

Law Enforcement Report

Robin Jarratt/Matthew Warriener distributed the Drug Law Enforcement Program FY 2006 Federal/State Expenditure Summary Report. She reported no unusual activities and that everyone was spending their funds as expected.

A motion was made by Rita Shepherd and seconded by Major General William D. Wofford. The motion carried unanimously.

RSAT GRANTS:

Two applications were submitted for the FY 2007 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) Grant Program. The Council approved funding for the following applicants:

<u>Applicant Organization</u>	<u>Total Project Funding</u>
1. Department of Correction	\$108,373
2. Department of Community Correction	\$20,570

A motion was made by Robin Jarratt to approve the RSAT Grants and seconded by Wanda Williams to approve the grants. The motion carried unanimously.

APPEAL HEARING:**Perfecting Life Community Development Corporation
North Little Rock, AR-Youth Leadership Development Grant.**

Bishop Kevin Allen appealed to the Council not to remove grant funding from their community-based organization. He acknowledged that mistakes had been made on his part, and staff, and felt that if given a second chance, they could do what's expected of them in carrying out the program. Chief Ronald Burks raised several key questions with Bishop Allen regarding his understanding of the grant and how it was to be implemented. Bishop Allen shared with the Council that the director of his project was in a serious car accident before the start of the program. She is unable to run the program, and he has had to rely on other members to run the program. This has been a major setback in the program. Other members raised questions pertaining to staff responsibilities and lack of program implementation. Bishop Allen responded to the various questions raised and concluded his presentation by pleading to the Council for a second chance to operate the program according to the original application.

After much discussion, a series of motions were introduced by various members. A motion was made by David Guntharp and seconded by Carol Roddy to leave the grant intact. That Perfecting Life will work with the Treatment and Prevention Committee to bring the program into compliance with the original grant application.

Prior to voting on the original motion, a substitute motion was made by David Guntharp to have Perfecting Life come to next month's (June)council meeting with the grant modified according to Bishop Allen's changes, and that he work with Prevention staff to ensure all changes meet their approval. Upon staff's approval, the Treatment and Prevention Committee will review and approve the changes, and recommend to the full council their approval or disapproval of the grant. The substitute motion was seconded by Richard Gallagher. The motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Fran Flener announced that the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Coordinating Council meeting for June 21, 2007 will be held at 2:30 p.m. at the AR State Police Headquarters #1 State Police Plaza ADEQ Training Room, Little Rock, Arkansas 72209.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Chief Ronald Burks to adjourn and seconded by Rick Gallagher. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Luckett